

2. Interpretation

In these regulations unless the contrary intention appears —

“**block**” has the meaning ascribed to it in Part IV, Division 2 of the Act;

“**date of application**” when referring to an application for a mining tenement means the date on which the application is lodged at the office of the mining registrar together with the prescribed fees;

“**existing exploration licence**” means an exploration licence —

- (a) granted before the commencement of section 16 of the *Mining Amendment Act 1990*²; or
- (b) for which an application was made before the commencement of section 16 of the *Mining Amendment Act 1990*² and which has subsequently been granted;

“**graticular exploration licence**” means an exploration licence the application for which was made on or after the commencement of section 16 of the *Mining Amendment Act 1990*² and which has subsequently been granted;

“**graticular section**” has the meaning ascribed to it in Part IV, Division 2 of the Act;

“**mineral exploration report**” has the same meaning as it has in section 115A(1);

“**prescribed fee**” means the relevant fee set out in the Second Schedule;

“**quarterly period**” means each period of 3 calendar months from the date on which the term of a mining tenement commences;

“**royalty return**” means a royalty return referred to in regulation 85B;

“**section**” means section of the Act;

“**the Act**” means the *Mining Act 1978*.

[Regulation 2 amended in Gazette 12 Nov 1982 p. 4490; 2 Oct 1987 p. 3813; 20 May 1988 p. 1705; 31 May 1991 p. 2696; 24 Jun 1994 p. 2927-8; 13 Oct 1995 p. 4814.]